(*d*) whether, in each case, it was a case of recruitment from the bar or from the ministerial section of the Judicial Department;

(*e*) in the case of recruitments made from the bar, the number of years of standing at the bar of each at the time of recruitment;

(*f*) in the case of recruitments made from the Judicial Department, the substantive pay each of them was receiving just at the time of recruitment; and

(*g*) the number of persons recruited from the mofussil bar and the stations where they were practising before recruitment?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) to (*g*) A statement* containing the required information is laid on the table.

Convenience for Point Duty Constables.

29. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total amount collected in each of the years 1099, 1100 and 1101 and the first half year of 1102 under licensing, testing, and issuing of permits, etc., to motor cars, buses and drivers;

(*b*) the use to which the amount referred to in part (*a*) is put;

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the constables doing traffic work in Madras, Bombay and Calcutta are provided with umbrellas which are attached to their belts and also with sun *topees* to protect their heads from the scorching heat of the tropics;

(*d*) whether it is a fact that the constables doing traffic work here are never at their points but are always seen on one side of the road where they could get shelter from the heat of the sun; and

(*e*) whether they will consider the question of providing the constables who do traffic work here with sun *topees* and umbrellas as is being done in Madras, Bombay and Calcutta?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

	Year.		*Amount.*
(*a*)	1099	...	Rs. 8,324-12-14.
	1100	...	Rs. 14,412-1-5.
	1101	...	Rs. 27,902-22-3.
	1102 First half	...	Rs. 17,935-6-11.

(*b*) All receipts under the Motor Vehicles Regulation are credited to the Government.

(*c*) The Government have no information.

(*d*) The answer is in the negative.

(*e*) The constables who do traffic work have been provided with sandals to protect their feet. The supply of khaki felt slouch hats and glare glasses also is under consideration.

Income Tax collected from Merchants during 1099-1101.

30. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state the amount of income tax collected during each of the years 1099, 1100 and 1101 from merchants alone?

* *Vide* Appendix V—pages 63 to 66.

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MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The information required by the member is given below:—

Year.	*Amount.*
	Rs.
1099 ...	... 1,27,123
1100 ...	... 1,56,675
1101 ...	... 1,42,202

MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*): From the answer, it is seen that the income tax collected from merchants during 1101 has fallen. May I know from the member whether the Government attempted to enquire into the causes that led to that fall?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The information is not now before the Government.

License for the Sale of Fish, Laurel Oil and Cocoanut Oil.

31. MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*):

(1) Are the Government aware that, on the representation of the merchants of Shencotta, Dewan Bahadur Mr. M. Krishnan Nair, the then Dewan of Travancore, ordered that the trade in fish, laurel oil and cocoanut oil be conducted without obtaining any license therefor from the Excise Department?

(2) Will the Government be pleased to state whether those orders are being carried out at present?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (1) The answer is in the negative.

(2) In view of the answer to part (1), this question does not arise.

Indebtedness of the Travancore Ryots and the grant of Agricultural Loans.

32. MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI (*Commerce and Industry, South*):

(1) Will the Government be pleased to state how agricultural indebtedness in Travancore stands in relation to such indebtedness in the Madras Presidency?

(2) Are the Government aware that the loans given through co-operative societies, being only of short duration, do not serve the purpose of redeeming the prior accumulated indebtedness of the agriculturists?

(3) Are the Government aware that, in the several Provinces of British India and in Indian States, the Governments have organised and are organising Land Mortgage Banks with the object of enabling the agriculturists to redeem themselves from agricultural indebtedness?

(4) Will they be pleased to take urgent steps to organise Land Mortgage Banks in Travancore for the same purpose?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (1) The Government have no information.

(2) The Government incline to the view that the existing co-operative societies are able to relieve agricultural indebtedness to an

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